

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 181

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A RESOLUTION to recognize and honor AJ Jordan for her outstanding basketball career at Coastal Carolina University.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those student-athletes who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom, on the court, and in the community; and

WHEREAS, AJ Jordan is one such exceptional student and superlative athlete, who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all of her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, a native of Coalfield and graduate of Coalfield High School, Ms. Jordan matriculated to Coastal Carolina University in Conway, South Carolina, where she will go down in that school's women's basketball history as one of the Chanticleers' most prolific scorers and greatest leaders; and

WHEREAS, during her time at that venerable institution of higher learning, this exemplary young athlete has become a basketball phenomenon and has won acclaim across this nation; and

WHEREAS, with Coastal Carolina's first game of the Big South Tournament, Ms. Jordan will hold the all-time record for games played in a Chanticleer uniform; and

WHEREAS, AJ Jordan has posted a number of impressive statistics ranking her among Coastal Carolina's all-time career leaders. With at least one game left in her collegiate career, she enters the tournament as the sixth most prolific scorer with more than 1,400 points, eighth in points per game, third in field goals made, eighth in free throws made, fourth in free throw percentage, and second in minutes played; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jordan has turned in twenty-one performances with twenty or more points, including a career high thirty-six points against Presbyterian College on January 10, 2015; and

WHEREAS, one of three Chanticleers to be named first team All–Big South in consecutive years, AJ Jordan earned the distinction as a junior and a senior. She is also a three-time Big South All-Academic Team member and has been named to the Big South Presidential Honor Roll; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jordan’s display of intellectual aptitude and athletic prowess surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, a woman of true character and commitment, AJ Jordan exemplifies dedication and leadership, and she is admired by her fellow Tennesseans for her tireless efforts to excel, always guided by solid principles and high standards, whether in the classroom or in the athletic arena; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby recognize and honor AJ Jordan for her legacy as a student-athlete, offer our deep appreciation for the dedication that she has shown to personal excellence in women’s sports, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.